



## City of Surigao

Philippines

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### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23 Series of 2020

#### **AN ORDER FOR THE PROHIBITION OF ANY AND ALL MASS GATHERINGS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY AND THE CANCELLATION and REVOCATION OF ALL PERMITS ISSUED INVOLVING MASS GATHERINGS OF CROWD**

WHEREAS, SECTION 15, ARTICLE II OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION mandated the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, President RODRIGO R. DUTERTE issued Proclamation No. 922 which declared a STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE PHILIPPINES in recognition of the outbreak of COVID-19 as a **threat to national security**;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Health has confirmed the **local transmission of CORONA VIRUS DISEASE - 19 (COVID-19) in the Philippines**;

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) has considered the **CORONA VIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) AS A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERN (PHEIC)**;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 10, Series of 2020 of the INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE for the MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES (TFMEID) declared that COVID-19 has the propensity to INFECT LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE THROUGH CROWDS and GATHERINGS REGARDLESS OF SIZE which requires SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES to be adopted and implemented;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ERNESTO U. MATUGAS, JR., in order to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19, mitigate its effects, prevent loss of life and to preserve peace and order and security and ensure the safety and well-being of the inhabitants of the City and prevent serious disruption of the functions of governance, and by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, as City Mayor of the Local Government Unit of Surigao City, do hereby declare as follows:



a. ANY and ALL MASS GATHERINGS and ACTIVITIES THAT WILL INVOLVE GATHERING OF PEOPLE IN A CROWD REGARDLESS OF SIZE are hereby PROHIBITED except THOSE ACITIVITIES THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF PEACE AND ORDER, SECURITY AND IN CURTAILING THE COVID-19 THREAT. The latter SHALL OBSERVE THE NECESSARY HEALTH SAFETY PRECAUTIONS;

b. For this purpose, any and all permits issued such as, but not limited to:

1. COCKFIGHTING PERMIT;
2. MAHJONG PERMIT;
3. Rallies and Fiesta related activities permit;
4. Social Gathering permits to use the City Government facilities, such as the City Gymnasium, City Cultural Center, and the respective Barangay Covered Courts

ARE HEREBY REVOKED AND CANCELLED.

LET COPIES OF THIS ORDER BE FURNISHED THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE, OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CONCERNED, AND THE PUNONG BARANGAY OF EACH BARANGAY OF THE CITY FOR ITS STRICT IMPLEMENTATION.

THIS ORDER SHALL BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

SO ORDERED.

MARCH 13, 2020. SURIGAO CITY.

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HON. ERNESTO U. MATUGAS, JR.  
City Mayor

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City Barangay ( )  
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